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# **Water System Evaluation And Project Review And Approval Fees**

*WAC 246-290-990*

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## WAC 246-290-990 Water system evaluation and project review and approval fees.

- (1) The fees for the review and approval of water system plans, project reports, construction documents, existing systems, and related evaluations required under chapters 246-290, 246-291, 246-293, and 246-295 WAC shall be as follows:

- (a) **Water system plans required under WAC 246-290-100, 246-291-140, 246-293-220, and 246-293-230.**

Project type	Group B	Group A				
		< 100 Services	100 to 500 Services	501 to 999 Services	1,000 to 9,999 Services	10,000 or more Services
<b>Water system plan (New and Updated)</b>	<b>\$113</b>	<b>\$396</b>	<b>\$966</b>	<b>\$1,825</b>	<b>\$2,966</b>	<b>\$4,389</b>
<b>Minor water system plan alteration</b>	<b>\$28</b>	<b>\$95</b>	<b>\$238</b>	<b>\$455</b>	<b>\$738</b>	<b>\$1,081</b>

- (b) Satellite management agency (SMA) plans for Group A and Group B water systems required under WAC 246-295-040.

Project type	Total Active or Approved Services				
	< 100 Services	100 to 500 Services	501 to 999 Services	1,000 to 9,999 Services	10,000 or more Services
<b>SMA plan for ownership (New and Updated)</b>	<b>\$396</b>	<b>\$966</b>	<b>\$1,825</b>	<b>\$2,966</b>	<b>\$4,389</b>
<b>SMA approval amendment</b>	<b>\$84 per hour or appropriate fee from category above, whichever is less</b>				
<b>SMA plan for operation only (New and Updated)</b>	<b>\$966</b>	<b>\$966</b>	<b>\$966</b>	<b>\$966</b>	<b>\$966</b>

**Note: SMAs owning water systems and submitting planning documents to the Department for review shall be charged only the SMA fee.**

- (c) New plan elements required under WAC 246-290-100, 246-290-135, and 246-291-140 including:
- (i) Conservation; and
  - (ii) Wellhead protection,

shall be reviewed separately by the department and the fee assessed shall reflect the time spent for this review and shall be calculated based on eighty-four dollars per hour. After the initial submittal, updated information shall be reviewed as part of the updated water system plan and the review fee shall be included in the applicable updated plan review fee listed under (a) or (b) of this subsection.

- (d) Project reports required under WAC 246-290-110 and design reports required under WAC 246-291-120.

Project type	Group B	Group A				
		< 100 Services	100 to 500 Services	501 to 999 Services	1,000 to 9,999 Services	10,000 or more Services
<b>All types of filtration or other complex treatment processes</b>	<b>\$281</b>	<b>\$570</b>	<b>\$885</b>	<b>\$1,281</b>	<b>\$1,765</b>	<b>\$2,341</b>
<b>Chemical addition only, such as ion exchange, hypochlorination, or fluoridation</b>	<b>\$84</b>	<b>\$167</b>	<b>\$281</b>	<b>\$423</b>	<b>\$597</b>	<b>\$798</b>
<b>Complete water system (an additional fee shall be assessed for review of treatment facility, if any)</b>	<b>\$167</b>	<b>\$396</b>	<b>\$624</b>	<b>\$912</b>	<b>\$1,254</b>	<b>\$1,651</b>
<b>System modifications requiring a detailed evaluation to determine whether the system, as modified, will comply with regulations (an additional fee shall be assessed for review of treatment facility, if any)</b>	<b>\$113</b>	<b>\$281</b>	<b>\$455</b>	<b>\$684</b>	<b>\$966</b>	<b>\$1,303</b>

- (e) Special reports or plans required under WAC 246-290-115, 246-290-230, 246-291-230, 246-290-250, 246-290-470, 246-290-636, 246-290-654, and 246-290-676 including:

- (i) Corrosion control recommendation report;
- (ii) Corrosion control study;
- (iii) Plan to cover uncovered reservoirs;
- (iv) Predesign study;
- (v) Uncovered reservoir plan of operation;
- (vi) Tracer study plan;
- (vii) Surface water or GWI treatment facility operations plan; or
- (viii) Filtration pilot study,

shall be reviewed by the department and the fee assessed shall reflect the time spent for this review and shall be calculated based on eighty-four dollars per hour.

- (f) Construction documents required under WAC 246-290-120 and design reports required under WAC 246-291-120.

Project type	Group B	Group A				
		< 100 Services	100 to 500 Services	501 to 999 Services	1,000 to 9,999 Services	10,000 or more Services
All types of filtration or other complex treatment processes	\$281	\$570	\$885	\$1,281	\$1,765	\$2,341
Chemical addition only, such as ion exchange, hypochlorination, or fluoridation	\$84	\$167	\$281	\$423	\$597	\$798
Complete new water system except treatment (an additional fee shall be assessed for review of treatment facility, if any)	\$227	\$509	\$738	\$1,026	\$1,369	\$1,765
New source only (an additional fee shall be assessed for review of treatment facility, if any)	\$167	\$309	\$423	\$570	\$738	\$939
One or more of the following submitted as a package and not requiring a detailed evaluation as determined by the department: Water line installation, booster pump station, modifications to source pumping, piping-valving, controls or storage reservoir (an additional fee shall be assessed for review of treatment facility, if any)	\$113	\$195	\$309	\$455	\$624	\$825
Documents submitted for projects such as water line installation, booster pump stations modifications to source pumping, piping/valving, controls or storage reservoirs as determined by the department where such projects: Comply with design standards established by the department; Are prepared by a professional engineer in accordance with WAC 246-290-040; and, do not require a detailed evaluation by the department.	\$54	\$97	\$162	\$227	\$314	\$412

- (g) Existing system approval required under WAC 246-290-140 and 246-291-130. For the purpose of this subsection the department shall determine whether a system is expanding or nonexpanding.

Project type	Group B	Group A				
		< 100 Services	100 to 500 Services	501 to 999 Services	1,000 to 9,999 Services	10,000 or more Services
<b>NONEXPANDING system not requiring a detailed evaluation by the department</b>	<b>\$216</b>	<b>\$433</b>	<b>\$651</b>	<b>\$868</b>	<b>\$1,086</b>	<b>\$1,303</b>
<b>NONEXPANDING system requiring a detailed evaluation as determined by the department</b>	<b>\$325</b>	<b>\$651</b>	<b>\$978</b>	<b>\$1,303</b>	<b>\$1,629</b>	<b>\$1,956</b>
<b>EXPANDING system not requiring a detailed evaluation by the department</b>	<b>\$433</b>	<b>\$868</b>	<b>\$1,303</b>	<b>\$1,738</b>	<b>\$2,173</b>	<b>\$2,607</b>
<b>EXPANDING system requiring a detailed evaluation as determined by the department</b>	<b>\$543</b>	<b>\$1,086</b>	<b>\$1,629</b>	<b>\$2,173</b>	<b>\$2,716</b>	<b>\$3,259</b>

- (h) Monitoring waivers requested under WAC 246-290-300.

Project type	Group B	Group A				
		< 100 Services	100 to 500 Services	501 to 999 Services	1,000 to 9,999 Services	10,000 or more Services
<b>Inorganic chemical monitoring waiver</b>	<b>Not applicable</b>	<b>\$75 per source</b>	<b>\$103 per source</b>	<b>\$130 per source</b>	<b>\$157 per source</b>	<b>\$184 per source</b>
<b>Organic chemical monitoring waiver</b>	<b>Not applicable</b>	<b>\$135 per source</b>	<b>\$189 per source</b>	<b>\$244 per source</b>	<b>\$298 per source</b>	<b>\$352 per source</b>
<b>Use waiver</b>	<b>Not applicable</b>	<b>\$162 per source</b>	<b>\$216 per source</b>	<b>\$276 per source</b>	<b>\$325 per source</b>	<b>\$379 per source</b>
<b>Area wide waiver renewal</b>	<b>Not applicable</b>	<b>\$216 per source</b>	<b>\$298 per source</b>	<b>\$379 per source</b>	<b>\$460 per source</b>	<b>\$543 per source</b>
<b>Inorganic chemical monitoring waiver renewal</b>	<b>Not applicable</b>	<b>\$42 per source</b>	<b>\$54 per source</b>	<b>\$64 per source</b>	<b>\$75 per source</b>	<b>\$86 per source</b>
<b>Organic chemical monitoring waiver renewal</b>	<b>Not applicable</b>	<b>\$81 per source</b>	<b>\$113 per source</b>	<b>\$146 per source</b>	<b>\$178 per source</b>	<b>\$211 per source</b>
<b>Use waiver renewal</b>	<b>Not applicable</b>	<b>\$113 per source</b>	<b>\$151 per source</b>	<b>\$189 per source</b>	<b>\$227 per source</b>	<b>\$265 per source</b>
<b>Coliform monitoring waiver including departmental inspection requested by purveyor</b>	<b>Not applicable</b>	<b>\$342</b>	<b>\$423</b>	<b>\$537</b>	<b>\$684</b>	<b>Not applicable</b>
<b>Coliform monitoring waiver with third-party inspection report</b>	<b>Not applicable</b>	<b>\$108</b>	<b>\$108</b>	<b>\$108</b>	<b>\$108</b>	<b>Not applicable</b>

- (i) Other evaluations and approvals. As applicable, these fees will be charged in addition to the basic fees assessed under (a) through (h) of this subsection.

Project type	Group B	Group A				
		< 100 Services	100 to 500 Services	501 to 999 Services	1,000 to 9,999 Services	10,000 or more Services
Well-site evaluation and approval including the site inspection and hydrologic information review	\$167	\$249	\$293	\$363	\$455	\$570
Regulatory monitoring plan	No plan required	\$162	\$216	\$271	\$325	\$379
Unfiltered system annual comprehensive report	Not applicable	\$325	\$543	\$760	\$978	\$1,194
Water system compliance report	\$95	\$95	\$95	\$95	\$95	\$95

**<sup>1</sup> A comprehensive document containing coliform, inorganic chemical and organic chemical monitoring plans in accordance with WAC 246-290-300(2)(b), (3)(f), and (7)(e).**

- (2) To determine the appropriate fee for a noncommunity system, calculate the service equivalent by taking the average population served each day of operation and dividing by twenty-five for a transient noncommunity (TNC) system and two and one-half for nontransient noncommunity (NTNC) system. Use the number of service equivalents to find out what Group A size category to look under and submit the appropriate fee. (All noncommunity systems are Group A systems as described in WAC 246-290-020.)
- (3) Additional review and approval fees may be assessed as follows:
- (a) The basic fee covers an evaluation, or the review of an initial submittal and one resubmittal if required. If additional resubmittals are required, an additional twenty-five percent of the original fee will be assessed for each additional resubmittal. For water system plan and SMA plan preparation the basic fee also covers a preplanning conference. When the department is asked to participate in other meetings involving the plan such as community meetings, public hearings, or meetings with elected officials, the department is authorized to charge additional fees at the rate of eighty-four dollars per hour;
  - (b) Fees for department project approval based on local technical review will be determined on a case-by-case basis as outlined in the applicable memorandum of understanding between the department and the respective local agency;
  - (c) Fees for services which the department determines are not described under subsection (1) of this section, will be calculated based on a rate of eighty-four dollars per hour.

Examples of these services include, but are not limited to:

- (i) Review and inspection of water reuse projects;
  - (ii) Collection of water quality samples requested by purveyor;
  - (iii) Review of alternate technologies requested by purveyor, manufacturer or authorized representative; or
  - (iv) Sanitary surveys, including the annual on-site inspections required for systems under WAC 246-290-690(3) to assess watershed control and disinfection treatment.
- (d) Additional fees assessed by the department shall be billed to the purveyor using an itemized invoice.
- (4) If the Legislature revises the water system operating permit fee under RCW 70.119A.110 to incorporate into it one or more fees for service currently assessed separately under this section, and the purveyor has paid that consolidated fee, the department shall not assess or collect a separate fee under this section for any such service.
- (5) All fees required under this section except as noted in subsection (3) of this section, shall be submitted prior to the department's approval. Payment of fees shall be in the form of a check or money order made payable to: The Department of Health. Payment of a fee shall not guarantee approval of the submitted document or evaluation request.
- (6) Purveyors unable to determine the appropriate fee payment to submit should contact the department.